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SPRING 1985

Dr. Harold Wilke leads seminar on ministry with the disabled

DR HAROLD WILKE, whose address before the United Nations opened the International Year of the Disabled in 1981, led a seminar on ministry to disabled persons Thursday, March 21, 1985, at Columbia Theological Seminary.

Wilke, a United Church of Christ minister who was born without arms, told a capacity crowd during the chapel service that Columbia is relatively accessible to disabled persons, compared to other institutions. He encouraged the Seminary to make its facilities even more accessible.

At this chapel service attended by Seminary students and faculty, as well as a large, diverse number of guests, Wilke called on the church to recognize people with disabilities as full participants in the work of the church.

Seminar participants lunched with Wilke, who discussed the problems of increasing an institution's accessibility to the disabled. Wilke, an adjunct professor at Union Theological Seminary in New York, commented that there were attitudinal barriers, as well as physical ones, which must be overcome, including

an able-bodied person's fear and misunderstanding of the disabled.

Attitudinal barriers were again a topic of discussion at an afternoon session led by Wilke. This was followed by a panel discussion moderated by CTS Assistant Professor of Christian Education Ed Trimmer. Liz McWhorter, a former Christian educator and elder at Central Presbyterian Church in Atlanta; Ben Ikeler, a free-lance writer; and Tom Atkins, pastor of the Lawrenceville Road United Methodist Church in Atlanta, which has excelled in ministry to hearing-impaired persons, were the panel participants.

Wilke directs the Healing Community in White Plains, N.Y., a multid denominational project designed to assist the religious community incorporate the disabled and others into the mainstream of society.

Author of three books, including *Creating the Caring Congregation*, Wilke also edits a quarterly periodical, *The Caring Congregation*, which deals with the church's ministry to and with people with disabilities. He has chaired the Department of Ministry on the National



Dr. Harold Wilke

Council of Churches, as well as the General Commission on Chaplains and Armed Forces Personnel.

For his international involvement with rehabilitation, Wilke received the Pteminger Medal from the People-to-People program. Also heavily involved in the national and international ecumenical movement, he was awarded the Luther Medal by the Church of Berlin-

Brandenburg in 1972.

Wilke and his wife, a staff member of the New York Gestalt Association for Psychotherapy and Training, have five sons.

The workshop was sponsored by Columbia, in conjunction with the Division of National Mission of the Presbyterian Church (USA) and Atlanta Presbytery. □

Columbia receives major gifts

COLUMBIA SEMINARY HAS received several large capital gifts recently. The donors include individuals, a foundation, and estates.

An anonymous donor in Georgia gave the Seminary \$1,000,000. The Fargo Estate of Augusta, Ga., left the Seminary a bequest of \$100,000. A philanthropist in Florida contributed \$150,000, and a member of Columbia's Board of Directors, the Seminary's governing board, donated over \$43,000.

The Outreach Foundation, which has already greatly strengthened the cause of evangelism at Columbia and in the Presbyterian Church, gave well over \$80,000. And an anonymous estate in Mississippi has provided over \$750,000.

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This photo from our historical file shows the Board of Directors, c. 1925. Please let the Office of Development/Seminary Relations know if you can identify any of the men in this picture.

From the President

J. Davison Philips

A RECENT RESEARCH project on Presbyterian candidates for the ministry indicates several significant facts about those candidates.

1. They come to seminary with a deep and growing sense of *call*. Even when they are unsure, they still are responding to a definite experience of God's leading.
2. They are increasingly *diverse* in age, experience and family situations. Thirty-five percent are women, 50 percent come from another career with experience in business and in the life of the church. The average age is 32.
3. The great majority are preparing for ministry in a parish, and some of these are planning to specialize in pastoral counseling or Christian education.
4. They reflect a *spiritual pilgrimage* which often issues in a new commitment to Christ and to the Church. This commitment is based on experience in college or in a career while actively participating in a local church.
5. The majority who come from

college to seminary with a two or three year gap in between have gone into debt to finish college. They need *increasing financial aid*.

6. The student's spouse is such a vital part of the decision to enter Seminary that he or she is much involved in the application process and in the life of the Seminary community.

On the whole the students here are committed and competent persons, investing these Seminary years in preparation for ministry.

Also very important is *the graduate student* enrolling in such degrees as Master of Theology, Doctor of Ministry, or Doctor of Sacred Theology (pastoral care). These are usually ordained ministers who seek to expand their theological and biblical knowledge and improve their abilities in preaching, administration, and pastoral care. The Doctor of Ministry is done largely on a part-time basis over a four or five year period. In addition to the academic courses, a dissertation based on a significant act of ministry is required.



These students, then, are using the setting in which they minister as part of the curriculum and the campus of Columbia Seminary. Courses for the academic requirements are scheduled on our campus and in several satellite locations in our supporting synods.

I ask you to do these two things:

1. Pray for our students and their families!
2. Give us names and addresses of those persons who are beginning

to think about a call to ministry. My personal gratitude goes to each of you for all you are doing for our mission here.

With Faith, Hope, and Love,

J. Davison Philips



Directors approve budget, appointments

AT ITS SPRING meeting in April Columbia Seminary's Board of Directors approved a record budget and appointments in two new positions.

A \$3.73 million budget for the 1985-86 fiscal year was approved. This is a 12 percent increase over the 1984-85 budget.

The Rev. Dr. Brian Henry Childs was appointed Associate Professor of Pastoral Theology and Counseling for a three-year term, beginning August 1. He will be leaving positions as adjunct professor of pastoral theology and co-director of the Th.M. degree in pastoral counseling at New Brunswick

Theological Seminary in New Jersey; lecturer in pastoral theology at Princeton Theological Seminary; and director of advanced pastoral studies and staff therapist for Trinity Counseling Service, which serves the Princeton, New Jersey, area. Dr. Childs earned the M.Div., Th.M., and Ph.D. degrees from Princeton Theological Seminary.

The Rev. Caroline Leach, an M.Div. graduate of Columbia, has been named associate dean of students on a half-time basis. She has served as a co-pastor, campus minister, and an assistant pastor. At Columbia she will assist the dean of

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Thomas H. McDill 1917-1985

THOMAS HALDANE MCDILL, Professor Emeritus of Pastoral Care and Counseling at Columbia Theological Seminary, died at his home in Atlanta on February 21, 1985. He is survived by his wife, Lila Bost McDill, a son, Thomas C. McDill, and three grandchildren. He is mourned by a multitude of students, parishioners, counselees, and colleagues.

Professor McDill was a native of Little Rock, Ark., and was reared in Gastonia, N.C. He received the A.B. degree from Erskine College, the B.D. degree from Erskine Seminary, the M.Div. degree from Columbia Seminary, the A.M. degree from the University of Chicago where he was an early student of Seward Hiltner, and the D.D. degree from Presbyterian College. Ordained a minister in the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, Dr. McDill served pastorates in Arkansas and Atlanta, was an instructor in counseling at The School of Social Work at McCormick Theological Seminary, and was the first Professor of Pastoral Care and Counseling at Columbia Theological Seminary from 1951-1979. He served as an Army chaplain during World War II and was decorated with the Legion of Merit for his service in the Philippines. He was honorably retired by the Presbytery of Atlanta in 1979.

From his position as Professor at Columbia Seminary, Dr. McDill was an initiator of the Chaplaincy Services at Grady Memorial Hospital, Central State Hospital, Georgia Baptist Hospital, and the Georgian Clinic and was one of the central figures in the establishment of the

Georgia Association for Pastoral Care. He directed the first Pastoral Counseling Service in the Southeast at Central Presbyterian Church and established the first graduate degree in pastoral counseling in the Southeast. He was the first minister to address the Fulton County Medical Society and the Georgia Psychiatric Association.

Dr. McDill was a founder of the American Association of Pastoral

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Dr. McDill

The doctor is a minister

AT LEAST ONCE or twice a week, she is seen rushing down the sidewalk toward Columbia's student center, her white coat flapping, her stethoscope dangling from her neck.

She is Marilyn Washburn, M.D. 1976, Emory University School of Medicine. She is also Marilyn Washburn, M.Div. 1981, Columbia Theological Seminary.

How does Marilyn manage her identities as Dr. Washburn and the Rev. Washburn? She answered, "I think of myself foremost as a minister/theologian. I didn't want to tack ministry onto medicine; I wanted medicine to be my expression of ministry.

"I always wanted to be a physician; I never had any doubt," Dr. Washburn said. "When I was five, I decided to be a doctor. My two best friends decided to be nurses. We wanted to marry preachers and be missionaries."

Originally planning only to dabble in seminary courses, Ms. Washburn began taking courses at Columbia in 1972, the same year she started medical school. After two quarters of seminary, though, she decided that she needed more theological education "to be the kind of doctor I wanted to be." So she finished her M.Div.

The four years of medical school were spent on Columbia's campus as well as Emory's. Ms. Washburn's seminary classmates voted to change class meetings to suit her schedule. And Professors Catherine Gonzalez and Charlie Cousar designed special courses for Ms. Washburn to assist her in juggling her two curricula.

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Through it all, "it was the Seminary that helped me keep my sanity," Ms. Washburn said. "Columbia was really supportive. I can't imagine going to medical school and not having this seminary community for support." She added, "The forte of Columbia Seminary is the community experience."

After graduation from Emory in 1976, Ms. Washburn, who had married in 1973, took a leave of absence from Columbia to practice her self-tailored residency, which included pediatrics and obstetrics/gynecology and resembles the family medicine residency offered at several medical schools. Her first child was born in 1978. She returned to seminary as a part-time student and full-time wife and mother, finally receiving her divinity degree nine years after starting it.

Ms. Washburn is employed at DeKalb-Grady Clinic, a family medicine



Marilyn holds sons Robbie and Stevie during a house call at Columbia.

clinic which "serves whomever comes through the door," she said. The clinic's charges are figured on a sliding scale.

Her position at DeKalb-Grady Clinic is an Emory medical school faculty appointment, which, to Ms. Washburn, is the best part, since she enjoys the opportunity to teach as well as practice clinical medicine.

Ms. Washburn is also involved with Hospice, a program offering care for terminal cancer patients in their own homes. "Most of the families in the Hospice program are extremely poor," she said. "You mainly try to be there for families when they need you. It's a ministry of presence."

Ms. Washburn's presence is felt, not only in the community, but on Columbia's campus is well. She often teaches seminars on such topics as death and dying and medical ethics. But she can also be found on the campus at all hours of the day and night making — believe it or not — house calls. The doctor never hesitates to respond to a seminarian's call for help. And her response is one of gratitude.

"I give so much to the Seminary community because it gave so much to me," she said. "This is a way of passing it on."

Ministering selflessly to the Columbia community is not something Ms. Washburn does out of obligation, but out of love. She said, "With Columbia families, we share the same faith. I can do things with them that I can't do with DeKalb-Grady Clinic families. I can flip back and forth from pastoral to medical roles."

There are not a whole lot of people in Ms. Washburn's shoes, but she hopes that more students will follow her example. She said, "I'd like to see other

folks have the same shot at this. The church should reclaim health care as one of its primary responsibilities."

"Where the church once had been a primary force behind health care," Ms. Washburn explained, "it serves now almost as an auxiliary to health care, which is provided by the private and government sectors, as well as by corporations running health care facilities for profit. A stronger presence of the church in health care would redress some of the injustices I see in the other three systems."

The minister in her also sees the church's penchant for building institutions to provide medical care. She affirmed the necessity of these institutions, but observed that institutions can afford Christians the option of avoiding the "one-to-one healing that Jesus did, and that I believe he wants us to do." □

Writer Butch Miranda is a senior from Tuscaloosa.

Seminaries' students meet

STUDENTS FROM COLUMBIA, Johnson C. Smith Seminary at the Interdenominational Theological Center, and Emory University's Candler School of Theology have been meeting to establish stronger relations. A committee of members from the three student bodies planned a joint worship and communion service. Held at Columbia April 16, the service was led by students, with all three student bodies invited.

Steve Negley, '84-'85 Student Coordinating Council president at Columbia and one of the forces behind this effort, said, "Representatives from the three student governments have met monthly in an effort to coordinate calendars and events." The first event for the three student groups was held at Columbia during Forum Week in February, when all three groups were invited to a worship service and a reception afterwards.

These seminary students are celebrating the bonds of unity and the challenges of reconciliation and peace that face churches in the 1980's and 1990's. □

Alumni/ae Association

COLUMBIA'S ALUMNI/AE ASSOCIATION met February on the campus to hear news of alumni/ae activities and make plans for next year. This group elected the following officers for 1985-86: president, Harrison Taylor, Hunt, Texas; president-elect, Hugh Hamilton III, Covington, Tennessee; vice president, S. Catherine Mason, Tallahassee, Florida; secretary-treasurer, John Hunter, Bradenton/Sarasota, Florida.

In new business the Association's Council discussed setting up alumni/ae awards. The group decided to solicit suggestions for structuring the awards program.

The Department of Development and Seminary Relations reported a significant increase in alumni/ae giving this fiscal year. A year end report with the encouraging news will be issued during the summer.

Speakers for the 1986 Forum will

- Hendrickus Berkof — Smyth Lecturer
- Will D. Campbell — Alumni/ae Lecturer
- Joan Salmon Campbell — Forum Preacher. □

Summer Greek School

COLUMBIA THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY will offer its summer Greek school from July 1-August 23, 1985. Oscar J. Hussel, Vice President for Academic Affairs, has announced. The eight-week course is a study of the essential elements of Koine Greek grammar, syntax, and vocabulary, preparatory to reading the Greek New Testament.

Dr. Charles B. Cousar, Professor of New Testament Language, Literature, and Exegesis, will teach the course, which meets each weekday morning. A voluntary tutoring session will be available each afternoon.

Most of the 40 or so students enrolled in this course are entering Columbia in the fall for the M.Div. degree, but a few are students at other seminaries. This year the course has been scheduled a week earlier than usual in order to give the Columbia students a week's rest before the beginning of fall semester in September.

Dean Hussel says, "This course creates a great bond among the students, who experience what former students here called a 'fellowship of suffering' during the intensive course! □

Continuing Education Calendar

For further information or to register for courses, call or write:
Douglas W. Hix, Director of Advanced Studies, or
Sara C. Juengst, Associate Director of Advanced Studies
Columbia Theological Seminary, Decatur, GA 30031 / 404-378-8821.

June 12-24 **IN THE STEPS OF JOHN KNOX:** A pilgrimage into our Presbyterian heritage. A trip to Edinburgh, London, and Geneva with Davison and Kay Philips, Stuart and Margot McWilliam, and Doug and Pat Hix. Cost: \$1,894.

June 13 - July 1 **BACH FEST AND GERMAN DELIGHT** A travel seminar which explores music, art, theology, and culture of central Europe. Leader: Frederick O. Bonkovsky, CTS Professor.

June 17-28 at Montreat, NC, Two Week Credit Courses* (8:30 - 11:40 a.m.)
1. **CONTEMPORARY APPROACHES TO CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.** Taught by Sara P. Little, Union Theological Seminary Professor. Tuition \$300 - 3 semester hours.
2. **THE THEOLOGY AND PRACTICE OF EVANGELISM.** Taught by Ben C. Johnson, CTS Professor. Tuition \$300 - 3 semester hours.

July 8-12 Two Morning Courses (9-11:30)
1. **HOW TO TEACH "WEAVING THE FABRIC OF FAITH" BY JOHANNA BOS.** Taught by Sara C. Juengst, CTS Staff. Tuition \$25.
2. **FAITH IN THE TRADITION OF ISAIAH** Taught by Walter Brueggemann, Professor, Eden Theological Seminary, St. Louis, MO. Tuition \$50.

Two Afternoon Courses (1:30-4:00)
1. **HOW A MINISTER RELATES TO THE DOCTOR AND HOW A DOCTOR RELATES TO THE MINISTER.** Taught by Marilyn Washburn, M.Div. and M.D., Grady Hospital Clinic, Atlanta, GA. Tuition \$50.
2. **A SEMINAR FOR WRITERS** Taught by Cecil Murphey, writer and minister, Decatur, GA. Tuition \$50.

All Day (9-11:30 and 1:30-4:00)
FIFTH ANNUAL SCHOOL OF EVANGELISM. Coordinated by Ben C. Johnson and Joe Donaho. Leadership provided by Don Buteyn, Professor of Evangelism, San Francisco Theological Seminary, and Grady Allison, Program Director of Evangelism, PC (USA). Instructors and courses are:
Dr. Ernest T. Thompson, Jr. - preaching and worship evangelism.
Dr. Arnold Lovell - organizing the local church for evangelistic outreach.
Dr. James Cushman - evangelism in the small church of 120 members or less. Tuition \$50. Scholarships are available. Contact Ben C. Johnson at Columbia.

July 8-19 at Columbia Seminary, Two Week Credit Courses*, 8:30-11:40 a.m.
1. **CONTEMPORARY APPROACHES TO PREACHING** Taught by Thomas G. Long, Professor, Princeton Theological Seminary. Tuition \$300 - 3 semester hours.
2. **SOCIOLOGICAL STUDY OF THE CHURCH AND THE COMMUNITY** Taught by Harvey K. Newman, Professor, Georgia State University. Tuition \$300 - 3 semester hours.

July 15-19 Three Morning Courses (9-11:30)
1. **HOW TO TEACH "WEAVING THE FABRIC OF FAITH" BY JOHANNA BOS.** Taught by Johanna Bos, Professor, Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Louisville, KY. Tuition \$25.
2. **LEARNING TO USE THE COMPUTER IN THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE LOCAL CONGREGATION WITHOUT BEING RIPPED OFF** Taught by William W. Rolland, Tuition \$50.
3. **WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE A CHRISTIAN?** Taught by Shirley Guthrie, CTS Professor. Tuition \$50.

An All-Day Course (9-11:30 and 1:30-4:00)
SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN SPIRITUALITY Directed by Ben C. Johnson, Robert H. Ramey, assisted by Spiritual Formation Associates. Tuition \$50. Scholarships are available. Contact Ben C. Johnson at Columbia.

All Afternoon (1:30-4:00)
URBAN MINISTRY SEMINAR THE CHALLENGE OF MINISTRY IN THE URBAN SOUTH Co-sponsored by the Division of Corporate and Social Mission, GAMB. Directed by P. C. Ennis and Joanna M. Adams, Pastors, Central Presbyterian Church, Atlanta, GA.

July 22 - August 2 at Columbia Seminary, Two Week Credit Courses* (8:30-11:40 a.m.)
1. **BUILDING CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY THROUGH SMALL GROUPS.** Taught by Robert Ramey, CTS Professor. Tuition \$300 - 3 semester hours.
2. **ON PROPHETS AND PREACHERS READING THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES.** Taught by David Moessner, CTS Professor. Tuition \$300 - 3 semester hours.

July 22-26
D.Min. Project Workshop during the afternoons, CTS Campus, no tuition.

*Two Week Credit Courses: Prerequisite - M.Div. or equivalent. You may take ONE of the credit offerings in each two-week period and thus earn 3 semester hours in each two-week period.



Sara Covin Juengst

Juengst called as associate director

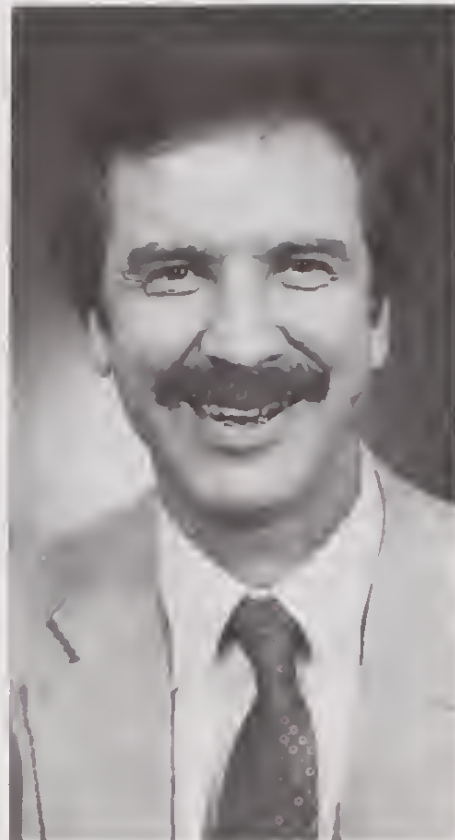
COLUMBIA SEMINARY WELCOMES the Rev. Sara Covin Juengst to its staff as Associate Director for Advanced Studies. A 1984 graduate of Columbia, Ms. Juengst, who joined the staff in February, is planning and conducting non-credit continuing education for ministers and lay people. She will also share responsibility for the entire Advanced Studies program.

Before joining the seminary staff, Sara was the staff associate for mutual mission coordination in the Division of International Mission of the General Assembly Mission Board of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). She has served as a Presbyterian missionary in Zaire for eleven years, a Christian educator with Presbyterian and Episcopal churches in Virginia, South Carolina, and Georgia, and a campus minister at the University of Florida and West Georgia College.

A graduate of Erskine College, the Rev. Juengst has done graduate work at the Presbyterian School of Christian Education and at West Georgia College. She is married to Dr. Daniel P. Juengst. They have four children and one grandchild. □

Gehman named director

WHEN PHIL GEHMAN was a student at Columbia in the sixties, he had no thoughts of returning to the campus to work. But, this winter, he was named Director of Admissions and Vocations.



Philip R. Gehman

He, wife Kay, and sons Randy, 17, and Russ, 15, have returned to Atlanta from Greensboro, N.C., where he was pastor of Faith Presbyterian Church.

A 1968 magna cum laude M.Div. graduate of Columbia, Philip Gehman received his D.Min. degree from Union Theological Seminary in Virginia in 1979. He did graduate work at the University of Chicago. Dr. Gehman has held assistant pastorates at the First Presbyterian Church in Greensboro and at the First Presbyterian Church in Waynesboro, Va.

As director of admissions and vocations, Phil's responsibilities begin with the recruitment of students for the first degree programs. Consequently, he is involved with those people called primarily to the pastoral ministry and thus seeking the M.Div. degree. He also counsels with students seeking the Master of Arts in Theological Studies, designed for students wanting to broaden their understanding of the faith. This degree does not prepare persons for Presbyterian ordination. In addition, he recruits students for the Master of Arts in Youth Ministry degree.

Dr. Gehman helps first degree students as they complete their seminary education. He works with graduates of these programs for their placements; his office facilitates the interviewing process by bringing together seniors and those churches with openings.

Two admissions conferences come under Phil's purview as well. These winter conferences include a weekend of classes, worship, interviews, campus living, campus tours, and seeing Atlanta. The earlier conference, called the College Conference, brings college students to the campus; the later conference, the Conference on Ministry, is held for persons interested in the ministry as a second career.

Phil sees Columbia's faculty and location as important assets in the recruiting of students and counts Columbia's "unique perspective in its care and concern for the individual student" as perhaps its most important and distinguishing characteristic. □

A unique challenge: the Church in Hungary

IS IT POSSIBLE for a church to be faithful in a society dominated by an atheistic ideology? The first Protestant church to be forced to face this difficult question was the Reformed Church of Hungary.

In order to understand how the Reformed Church of Hungary has responded to living in a socialist state, it is necessary to have some understanding of the church's history and its relationship to the Hungarian people and culture. For much of its history, the Reformed Church of Hungary has been closely tied to a significant minority of the Hungarian people. Drawn primarily from the peasant class and the lesser nobility, the church members were predominantly Magyar, not Austrian or German. Under the Austrian emperors and the influence of the Roman Catholic Church, it experienced several centuries of persecution and repression by the state. During these years, the struggle for religious freedom for Protestants was closely tied to the struggle for national independence.

The Hungarian Reformed Church was formed in 1881, composed of the four Synods of Hungary and a fifth one in Transylvania. Calvinistic in its theology, it traces its roots back to Geneva. Hungarian theological students went to study under John Calvin along with John Knox and other reformers who are more familiar in the West.

Unlike the Roman Catholic Church, the Reformed Church was never a state church. It was, however, regarded as a folk-church and was part of the official religious system in Hungary before World War II. One became a member automatically, by being born into a Reformed family. By 1945 the Reformed Church represented about 20 percent of the Hungarian population, with almost as many members as there were Presbyterians in the U.S.

It was this church which, after World War II, had to respond to the challenge of living in a Socialist society. The official ideology of the postwar government of Hungary claimed that religion is only an opiate of the people, that the church was a thing of the past and would soon disappear.

Radical changes took place throughout all of Hungarian society in the late 1940's. Peasants were given land; health-care and education became free. The church's property and schools were nationalized. In this situation the church had two choices. It could declare, "We are from Christ, and this ideology is from Satan. There is nothing to do but withdraw from this society and let individual Christians struggle to do the best they can." The alternative was to accept the challenge to attempt to live faithfully in the midst of the socialist society.

The Reformed Church chose the second way — a way that has seen God at work in history, calling us out of our settled ways, that we might find a new way. The Reformed Church of Hungary is not a part of the power structure of the state, but a servant-church. As we look back on what has happened to us, we can

see both God's judgment and grace. God's judgment was on us because we helped to maintain social injustice before the war. God's grace was seen in the revival that broke out after the war in the most difficult of circumstances. The theology and support of Karl Barth, the Swiss Reformed theologian, was very important to the church during these days.

In 1948 the state and the Reformed church signed an agreement, assuring freedom of conscience and worship. The state granted financial support until the church became self-supporting, and opportunities were provided for religious instruction in the schools. This agreement meant that the church had chosen a very narrow path to follow — a path between collaboration with an atheistic ideology on one side and nostalgia for past power on the other side. It was the difficult path of a servant-church, involving constant struggle and the search for new answers to the relationship between church and state.

After the trying times of Stalinism in the late forties and early fifties, a normalization of relationships arose between church and state. Under the present political system there is practical cooperation between church and state on the issues of peace and social work. The church is especially involved in working with alcoholics, drug-addicted youth, retarded children, and the elderly. We can see God's liberating Word working in the lives of alcoholics, who become witnesses of God's power in our society.

In a world of increasing economic and military confrontation, Eastern European Christians and Christians in the West need to encourage each other's faith. We need to accept each other as sisters and brothers in Christ. And we need to be in dialogue with each other to witness to the unity we have in Jesus Christ. □

Author Margit Balog, a minister in the RCH, is the first woman from an eastern European country to study at Columbia.



New CFC officers were elected by a record number of members attending Come See Columbia Day. President Philips inducted Lucile Adams, Betty Brantley, and Margaret Throuwer into office during the day's activities.

CFC meets on campus for Come See Columbia Day

MEMBERS OF THE Columbia Friendship Circle met on the campus April 18 for Come See Columbia Day — a day of worship, business, a panel discussion, and campus tours.

During the business meeting, the CFC was challenged by President J Davison Philips to increase the 1985-86 budget to \$45,000 to meet Columbia's growing need for scholarship aid. For the past several years, the CFC has provided scholarships for Columbia Scholars, which are one-year, non-renewable full scholarships awarded to young men and women who show promise for the ministry. The CFC has also financed the reclassification of the library's books. This year, in addition to those projects, the CFC will fund a graduate fellowship to be awarded a Columbia student upon completion of his or her first basic degree.

Lucile Adams of Granada, Miss., was elected CFC president for the 1985-86 term. The other new officers are Betty Brantley of Savannah, Ga., vice president, and Margaret Throuwer of Abbeville, S.C., secretary-historian. Ruth Esche of Marietta, Ga., will continue as parliamentarian and Seminary President Davison Philips as treasurer.

The synodical coordinators for the new year are Mildred McGlamery of Hialeah, Fla., for the Synod of Florida; Cally Matthews of Great Falls, S.C., for the Synod of the Southeast; and Barbara McDonald of Enterprise, Ala., for the Synod of the Mid-South.

The following are CFC's state representatives for the 1985-86 year: Alabama: Pat Ragan from Birmingham; Mississippi: Sarah Perritt from Meridian; Tennessee: Janet Salyer from Knoxville; Georgia: Doris Cooper from Alpharetta; Florida: Christine Clark from Alachua; South Carolina: Purnell Morris from Spartanburg. Lottie Williams is the new CFC representative for Atlanta Presbytery.

CTS thanks outgoing CFC President Gena Taylor of Jacksonville, Fla., for her outstanding leadership of the CFC; Pepe Blake, CFC's Atlanta Presbytery representative, for her excellent work in coordinating all the local planning for Come See Columbia Day; and the women of Columbia Presbyterian Church, for their pleasant hospitality throughout the day.

CFC's threefold purpose is
*to pray for the faculty, staff, and student body of the Seminary;
*to encourage young women and men to consider the call to a church vocation; and
*to give financial support to selected projects that meet the needs of the Seminary. □

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We hope you will not hesitate to write or call any of our faculty or administrative staff for help.

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For the Record

With this issue we begin a section on news from the Columbia community. If you have recent news you would like to contribute, please send it to the editor.

Cheryl Gosa '73 has been named to the national communications planning advisory group for the PC(USA).....**Frank G. Colladay, Jr.** '78 has been named to the Board of Directors, Presbyterian Alcohol Network.....**Martin L. Harkey, Jr.** '63 (Th.M. '69) is moderator of Southwest Florida Presbytery.....**Catherine Gonzalez**, CTS Professor of Church History, was a speaker at Mo Ranch in February on the topic of the church as servant.....**Shirley Guthrie**, CTS Professor of Systematic Theology, delivered lectures at Austin Seminary during the Mid-Winter Ministers' Conference in January. In March he led a ministers' retreat for Birmingham Presbytery, and in April he led a two-day retreat for church members of Broadmoor Presbyterian Church, Baton Rouge.....**John A. Kirstein** '48 is moderator of the Synod of the Mid-South and of Central Mississippi Presbytery.....**Sid Leak** '83 is moderator of the Candidates Committee for South Mississippi Presbytery.....**Pete Carruthers** '73 (Th.M. '83), CTS Dean of Students, led the course, "Communication - A Means toward Family Health or a Cause for Family Sickness," at the Fifth Annual Celebration of Faith in March at Norman Park, Ga. This was an event of the Presbytery of Southwest Georgia.....**Frederick McDaniel** '58 has been named Counselor of the Year in Seaford, Del. He is president of First State Counseling Association.

David Antonson '66 became senior minister of Northmont United Presbyterian Church in Pittsburgh in March and was awarded the Church Merit Award by the Christian Communication Council of Metropolitan Detroit churches for 12 years service with that ecumenical body, representing 1500 churches, in 1984.....**Wade Huie** '46, CTS Professor of Homiletics, was keynote speaker at the Missions Conference at First Presbyterian Church in Thomasville, Ga., in February. He was guest preacher for Holy Week services at First Presbyterian Church in Pine Bluff, Ark., March 31-April 2. His sermon, "The Pain and Hope of the Lonely," will be rebroadcast for the fortieth anniversary of the Presbyterian Series of The Protestant Hour on October 13. This program features some of the most requested and historic sermons broadcast on The Protestant Hour.....**Sid Macaulay** (Th.M. '76) has been made editor of the *Journal of Christian Medical Society*.....**Hollis Gause** '71 recently published a comprehensive survey of the book of Revelation, *Revelation: God's Stamp of Sovereignty on History*.....**Will Ormond** '43, CTS Professor of Biblical Exposition, gave a series of sermons on "Encounters with the Christ" for the First Presbyterian Church in Bay Minette, Ala., in January. In February he spoke at the Missions Conference for Trinity Presbyterian Church in Pensacola. He delivered five Bible studies on the Gospel of Luke for the First

Presbyterian Church in Marietta, Ga., in February and March and a Lenten series March 31-April 2 for the First Presbyterian Church of Baton Rouge.

Malcolm M. Bullock '55 has been called as pastor of the Thyatira Presbyterian Church in Salisbury, N.C.....**Ed Loring** '66 was author of "The Open Door Community: Presbyterians in Action" in the December issue of *The Presbyterian College Report*. He is a founder and partner of the Open Door Community in Atlanta and is known as "the father of Atlanta's shelter movement.".....**Lawton Daughtery** '56 has been called as pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Elberton, Ga.....**George R. Stuart** '45 has been named to the 1985 *Who's Who in Religion*.....**Norman Whitney** '64 has been named moderator of Orange Presbytery and is serving as chairman of Alamana-Caswell Area (N.C.) Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Board.....**Sheppard Lawrence** '74 has been called as pastor of the Merritt Island, Fla., Presbyterian Church.....**Bill Mulcay** '40 was recently honored by the First Presbyterian Church of Bartow, Fla., for his 40 years of service in the ministry.....**Murphy Davis** '73 was the subject of an article, "In the Valley of the Shadow of Death," in the April 3 issue of *Southline*. The article focused on her ministry to death row inmates.....**Fred Bonkovsky**, CTS Professor of Christian Ethics, spoke on "The Wall: Symbol of East/West Relations" and was a co-leader in the seminar, "Value Conflicts in Business and Professions," at Trinity Presbyterian Church in Atlanta in March.....In April and May **James Newsome** '55, CTS Professor of Old Testament Language, Literature, and Exegesis, taught a series based on his new book about Old Testament prophets at Trinity Presbyterian in Atlanta.....**Ann Cousins**, CTS Board member, is heading the Mission Continuation Committee of the PC(USA).

Erskine Clarke '66, CTS Associate Professor of American Religious History in the World Context, led a seminar on the history of black and white relations in the Low Country at the Charleston

BIRTHS

Mark '71 and Frances Verdery adopted six-year-old Sok, a Cambodian, in January 1985.
Derek and Rebekah Alexander Maul '82, a daughter, Naomi Rebekah, August 22, 1984.
Philip '84 and Peggy Gold, a daughter, Sarah Christine, March 18, 1985.
Steve '85 and Teresa Negley, a son, Thomas Alan, January 30, 1985.

DEATHS

John Coffee Neville '24, March 7, 1984.
Dr. Marshall Coleman Dendy '26, May 16, 1984.
Dr. George Aiken Taylor '43, March 6, 1984.



Barbara Cheney, secretary in the office of advanced studies, was feted in February with a retirement party. Mrs. Cheney, who worked at Columbia for 25 years, served under Presidents Richards, Kline, and Philips. She was given a silver bowl, and she and husband Cal were presented with fishermen caps for their retirement home in Cape Cod. Pictured: Doug Hix, director of advanced studies, Barbara and Cal Cheney, and President Philips at her party.

Presbytery meeting in April.....**Charles Cousar** '58, CTS Professor of New Testament Language, Literature, and Exegesis, was the Thomas J. Staley Lecturer at Presbyterian College in January. His topic was "The Use of the Bible in Moral Decisions." Dr. Cousar did a Lenten series on "Thy Kingdom Come: Biblical Studies in Prayer" for the First Presbyterian Church in Dalton, Ga., and taught a course on the Epistle of James at the "Celebration of Faith" for the Southwest Presbytery of Georgia's March meeting of Norman Park, Ga.....**David Gunn**, CTS Professor of Old Testament Language, Literature, and Exegesis, attended the annual meeting of the Society of Biblical Literature, the meetings of the Publications Committee of the American Schools of Oriental Research, and the Editorial Board of *Biblical Archaeologist*. In January Dr. Gunn taught the course, "From Narrative to Theology: Some Old Testament Stories," to the Kansas Area Seminar on Professional Ministry of the United Methodist Church. He gave a lecture, "Samson and the Wife of Manoah," sponsored by the Department of Religion, at Amherst College in March.....**Charles Barnett** '55, earned the D.Min. degree in December.

Ben Johnson, CTS Associate Professor of Evangelism, conducted a workshop on "Renewing Our Outreach Through a Renewed Congregation" at the Presbyterian Congress on Renewal in Dallas in January. In February he addressed the North Alabama Union Presbytery four times on the subject of evangelism and church growth during their stated winter meeting. He conducted the first "Renewal Service and Seminar" of the Jane Robbins Ramey Memorial, which has been established at Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian Church in Charlotte. He also led the Mecklenburg Presbytery on a two-day retreat for pastors and educators at Bethelwoods in March. March 15-17 he conducted a "Spiritual Awareness Weekend" at First Presbyterian Church in Orlando, where he was assisted by two CTS students, Pam King and Martha Jane Petersen, and by Dr. William Blait.....**David P. Moessner**, CTS Associate Professor of New Testament Language, Literature, and Exegesis, gave an oral presentation of the paper, "Paul in the Acts: Preacher of Eschatological Repentance to Israel," at

the annual national meeting of the American Academy of Religion and the Society of Biblical Literature in Chicago in December. He presented a revised form of the paper, which will be published in *Festschrift* for Prof. G.B. Caird in 1986, at the New Testament Graduation Seminar, under the direction of Hendrikus Boers, at Emory University on April 8. On April 10, Dr. Moessner spoke on the New Testament section of "Christians and Jews: A Unique Relationship" for the Ministers Conference at Columbia Presbyterian Church in Decatur.....The Memorial Drive Presbyterian Church in Stone Mountain, Ga., dedicated its newly completed library to the memory of **Darrell Monroe** '70 on April 21. Darrell served Memorial Drive Presbyterian Church as associate minister from December 1977 until his death in November 1980.

J. Davison Philips, CTS President, was guest minister of The Shadyside Presbyterian Church in Pittsburgh May 5. He attended the meeting of the committee on Theological Institutions in Princeton April 12 and 13. Dr. Philips serves as moderator of the PC (USA) Committee on Theological Education and in October will begin a term as chairman of the University Center of Georgia.....**James F. Dickenson**, CTS Vice President for Development/Seminary Relations, attended the development officers meeting of the Association of Theological Schools in Toronto in April.....**Tom Ellis** '66 has moved to Jacksonville as pastor of Northshore Presbyterian Church.....**Jasper Keith**, CTS Professor of Pastoral Care and Counseling, led a workshop for laity at Peachtree Presbyterian Church in Atlanta January 12. The theme was "Home and Hospital Visitation" by the laity as an expression of the pastoral care ministry of the church.....In January **Bob Ramey**, CTS Professor of Ministry, led an officers' retreat on the twin themes of spiritual growth and the pastoral ministry of church officers for First (Scots) Church, Charleston, S.C. In February he led a ministers' retreat for the Presbytery of the Pines in El Dorado, Ark., on "How to Train Church Officers." In April he represented Columbia at a national consultation held at Union Seminary in

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Juliette Harper

Harper joins staff

JULIETTE HARPER HAS been appointed Associate Director of Seminary Relations, filling the position vacated by the Rev. Emmie Young earlier this year. Ms. Harper, who works in the Office of Development/Seminary Relations, oversees Columbia's public relations, publications and the drafting of fund-raising proposals, among other duties.

Ms. Harper came to Columbia from her alma mater, Agnes Scott College, where she worked in the offices of alumnae and public affairs and served as managing editor of Agnes Scott's alumnae magazine. She has also worked in public relations for the Alliance Theatre Company in Atlanta.

Before receiving her Bachelor of Arts in English from Agnes Scott, Ms. Harper studied in Marburg, West Germany, and at Exeter University in Exeter, England. Her hometown is Oak Hill, Ala. □

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These gifts will be used primarily in three different areas. They will be used as endowment for much needed scholarships. Costs of educating a student come to about \$9,000, but a student paying full tuition contributes only 25 percent of that amount. Many are unable to pay full tuition. While money from synods, churches, and endowment income is used toward scholarships, Columbia nevertheless depends on the largess of friends to supplement these funds for scholarship aid. Columbia's scholarship aid assists approximately 160 students.

Another area these capital gifts will benefit is supervised ministry. At Columbia, supervised ministry enables the student to put into practice what has been learned through his or her courses, thus helping in the development as a competent, effectual minister. Each D.Min. and M.Div. student is required to take CTS's summer intern program in the parish. Students may elect to take the intern year in a parish or an agency.

The capital gifts will also help with the immediate physical needs of the campus — its upkeep and maintenance.

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Columbia Seminary is greatly appreciative of the support it has received from each of these donors. The generosity of these and other donors enables Columbia to exceed the \$4,000,000 mark for its 1984-85 capital gifts program, a record for Columbia. □

Charitably Speaking

By Jim Dickenson
Vice President, Development/Seminary Relations

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The President's Advisory Council met on campus in April. L-r: Outgoing President Howard Ector, secretary Hayden S. Sams, President Joe Patrick, and Dr. Philips. Not present — Vice President J. Sidney Query.

Remembering Columbia in your will

The following form of bequest or like form may be used:

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And let us know of your intention to do so. We will be grateful for your remembering this fine institution.

McDill

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Counselors, the certifying agency of pastoral counselors. For twenty years he selected the best books of the year in the field of pastoral counseling and reviewed twenty-five of these for the *Journal of Pastoral Care*. In 1982 the American Association of Pastoral Counselors honored him by presenting him their Distinguished Service Award for his work in pastoral counseling. On March 22, 1985, the Southeast Region of the Association for Clinical Pastoral Education, Inc., presented him posthumously the J. Obert Kimpson Distinguished Service Award. In his tribute Dr. Kempson said: "Tom was a strong supporter for the rest of us in those lonely, isolated days. He always had a sympathetic ear, an understanding interest in what we were doing. He was a pioneer in clinical pastoral education and a stalwart leader in the pastoral care movement. In my book, Tom McDill was the inspiration for the total movement in the Southeast."

Dr. Jasper Keith, Professor of Pastoral Care and Counseling at Columbia, said at Dr. McDill's memorial service: "I know the truth of Obert's words. Daily I am reminded of those facts, and I am everlastingly grateful to God for Tom McDill. Tom was the pioneer, we are the settlers. Tom plowed new and hard ground, sowed and sowed again until the plants of his labor grew. We are reaping the bumper crop harvest of his labor."

Dr. Keith continued, "I don't know what it was like in those pioneering days for Tom and folk like him. I suspect it was a lonely, anxiety-laden pilgrimage. But this I do know: Tom and his colleagues made the way clear for me and my colleagues. They carved out professional associations, established graduate degree programs, and enabled institutions of care and counseling. And we are indebted to them." □

Writer Jasper Keith, Professor of Pastoral Care and Counseling at CTS, is serving a two-year term as president of the American Association for Clinical Pastoral Education. He is also regional director of the Southeast Region, ACPE.

Directors

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students. However, her primary responsibility will be with the women of Columbia — both students and spouses. Another important responsibility will be strengthening the network of women role models for women students.

In other actions pertaining to the faculty, the Board reluctantly accepted the resignation of Professor of Theology C. Benton Kline, effective December 31, 1985. He will continue to teach at Columbia as an adjunct professor on a two-year basis. The rank of Director of Advanced Studies Douglas W. Hix was changed from Adjunct Professor of Pastoral Studies to Associate Professor of Advanced Studies.

The Board also approved a faculty position in World Christianity, and



CTS students Adrian McLean from Jamaica and Taylor Phillips from Atlanta congratulate each other after scoring a goal. Columbia is a member of a recreational soccer league.

Adjunct Professor George Thompson Brown was appointed to that position as Associate Professor of World Christianity for a two-year term on a part-time basis. The Rev. Stuart McWilliam of Scotland was appointed a Visiting Professor of Preaching for the next academic year while Professor Wade P. Huie is on sabbatic leave.

The Board re-elected Dr. William Adams as chair and Ludwick Clymer as

vice chair and elected Dr. John S. Lyles of Orlando as secretary, replacing the Rev. Gerald Voye, who is rotating off the Board. □

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Virginia on "A New Day in Candidacy." Later in the month he preached a series of special services at the Parkway Presbyterian Church.... **Ben Kline**, CTS Professor of Theology, serves as Director of the Council on Theology and Culture and on a Task Force on the Theology of Compensation, which has prepared a study now before the Church. He also serves on the Task Force on a New Directory for Worship and on the three-person Writing Team, which is drafting the new Directory. He served on an accrediting team of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to the Institute of Christian Studies, Austin, Tex. □

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